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SUBJ CSCE STAGE II HIGHLIGHTS-DECEMBER 3-7

SUMMARY: CSCE SPENT THE WEEK TRYING TO WRAP UP LEFTOVER BUSINESS AND PROCEDURAL DETAILS SO THAT DRAFTING CAN BEGIN WHEN CONFERENCE RECONVENES IN JANUARY. NEVERTHELESS, FAMILIAR PROBLEMS INTRUDED AGAIN AS SOVIETS RAISED RADIO LIBERTY/RADIO FREE EUROPE AND OPPOSED CONFIDENTIAL

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LARGER ROLE FOR NONPARTICIPATING MEDITERRANEAN STATES, AND CONFERENCE WREST ED WITH QUESTION OF CSCE-MBFR LINKAGE. END SUMMARY.

1. CONTRIBUTIONS BY NONPARTICIPATING MEDITERRANEAN STATES-SYRIAN

AMBASSADOR ALLAR MADE LAST SCHEDULED ARAB APPEARANCE BEFORE CSCE. HE REPEATED FAMILIAR POLEMICS ON MIDEAST SITUATION BUT CONTRIBUTED LITTLE CSCE-RELATED SUBSTANCE. AT WEEK'S END A MINIMAL MALTESE PROPOSAL TO REFER MEDITERRANEAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUBCOMMITTEES WAS BLOCKED BY SOVIETS, DESPITE CONSIDERABLE WESTERN AND NEUTRAL SUPPORT. RESULT WAS INNOCUOUS DECISION IN SECURITY COMMITTEE THAT DELEGATIONS SHOULD TAKE MEDITERRANEAN VIEWS INTO ACCOUNT. ALTHOUGH THERE IS CONCERN THAT SOME DELEGATIONS MAY RAISE OIL PROBLEM DURING DISCUSSION OF MEDITERRANEAN PAPERS IN ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, LIKELIHOOD IS THAT SOVIETS WILL TAKE SAME POSITION THERE.

2. PRINCIPLES GUIDING RELATIONS BETWEEN STATES--DISCUSSION OF HUMAN RIGHTS PRINCIPLE CONTINUED AS EASTERN GROUP TRIED TO GIVE UN CONVENANTS SPECIAL STATUS AS DEFINITION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND AS SOLE LEGITIMATE MEANS OF INTERNATIONAL PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. US EXPLAINED INAPPROPRIATENESS OF SUCH STATUS. SPURRED BY SOVIETS, SUBCOMMITTEE THEN MOVED ON TO SELF-DETERMINATION. HERE SOVIET BLOC SOUGHT TO ESTABLISH THAT ONLY INTERNAL ASPECT OF SELF-DETERMINATION WAS RELEVANT FOR EUROPE AND THAT IT INVOLVED PRIMARILY AVOIDANCE OF EXTERNAL PRESSURE. WESTERN SPEAKERS MADE POINT THAT PRINCIPLE INVOLVED RIGHT TO CHANGE IN BOTH INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ASPECTS, WITH PROVISION FOR FREE CHOICE.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRINCIPLES--PROVISIONS FOR POLITICAL CONSULTATION IN SOVIET AND ROMANIAN PROPOSALS TRIGGERED*WIDE SPREAD EXPRESSIONS OF SCEPTICISM. NATO STATES, INCLUDING US/EMPHASIZED THAT MULTILATERAL CONSULTATION PROVISIONS OF BOTH PROPOSALS PREJUDGED ISSUE OF POLITICAL FOLLOW-ON. NEUTRALS WERE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WITH COMMITMENT TO BILATERAL CONSULTATION. FRANCE, UK, AND CANADA EXPRESSED DOUBTS ABOUT ROMANIAN PROPOSAL FOR NONUSE OF FORCE AGREEMENTS.

4. MILITARY SECURITY--WEEK'S DISCUSSION CONCERNED LINKAGE TO MBFR AND NATIONAL PROPOSALS FOR CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES (CBM'S) OTHER THAN MANEUVERS AND OBSERVERS. NEUTRALS AGAIN STRESSED THEIR RIGHT TO BE INFORMED OF MBFR PROGRESS AND TO CONFIDENTIAL

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EXPRESS VIEWS IN THAT FORUM, STATING THAT PRESENT SYSTEM OF INFORMATION ON BILATERAL BASIS IS UNSATISFACTORY AND DEGRADING TO NONPARTICIPANTS. NATO ALLIES, INCLUDING US, COUNTERED WITH STATEMENTS THAT WE ARE AWARE OF NEUTRALS' INTEREST, BUT THIS SHOULD BE PURSUED THROUGH BILATERAL CHANNELS IN VIENNA. BELGIUM DIRECTLY ATTACKED CONCEPT OF "RIGHT" OF NONPARTICIPANTS TO BE INFORMED. NORWEGIAN SURPRISINGLY SUPPORTED THIS "RIGHT" AND RIGHT TO EXPRESS VIEWS IN VIENNA. AT CAUCUS US REP POINTEDLY REMINDED ALLIES OF AGREED NATO POSITION ON PROVISION OF MBFR INFORMATION. IN BROADER CONTEXT FRENCH REP SPOKE ON THEIR CONCEPT OF SECURITY, OPPOSING MBFR ON GROUNDS THAT NO REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON FORCE REDUCTIONS CAN LEAD TO INCREASED SECURITY. US REP RESPONDED THAT NATIONS SHOULD NOT VIEW MBFR WITH APPRE-

HENSION, RECALLING *HE GENER*L OBJECTIVE OF MBFR TO ENHANCE
PEACE AND SECURITY IN EUROPE.

5. ECONOMICS, SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY, ENVIRONMENT--IN COMMERCIAL
EXCHANGES, DESULTORY DISCUSSION THIS WEEK MOVED FROM OBSTACLES
TO TRADE AND MFN TO BUSINESS CONTACTS AND FACILITIES. SOME
LIGHT MOVEMENT OCCURRED WHEN SOVIETS MADE IT CLEAR THAT THEY
COULD ACCEPT "ADDITION OF REASONABLE SPECIFICS ON IMPROVING CON-
TACTS AND INFORMATION." WESTERN ACTIVITY IN SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY
AND ENVIRONMENT WAS CONCENTRATED IN NATO CAUCUSES TO COORDINATE
WITH EC-NINE ON WESTERN DRAFT FINAL DOCUMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED
BY RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS DURING CHRISTMAS RECESS. SUBCOMMITTEES
ON INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION AND OTHER ECONOMIC AREAS DID NOT MEET.

6. HUMANITARIAN COOPERATION--IN FULL COMMITTEE EASTERN GROUP
VIGOROUSLY REITERATED ITS REQUIREMENT FOR A PREAMBLE TO ONE
"FINAL DOCUMENT" AS WELL AS THEIR PREVIOUS POSITION THAT
DISCUSSIONS IN COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE AND IN SUBCOMMITTEES ON
SPECIFIC MEASURES ARE LINKED AND WOULD PROCEED IN " PARALLEL "
FASHION. THEY CONTINUED TO STRESS SPECIAL APPLICABILITY OF WELL-
KNOWN RESTRICTIVE PRINCIPLES INCLUDING RESPECT FOR NATIONAL "LAWS
AND CUSTOMS." BELGIAN AND DUTCH REPS OPPOSED VIEWS ON RELEVANCY OF
PREAMBULAR PRINCIPLES EXPRESSED BY FRENCH DEL IN PREPARED SPEECH
WHICH WAS NOT CLEARED WITH EC-NINE. POLES PROMPTLY EXPLOITED THIS
FIRST OPEN SPLIT IN RANKS OF THE NINE. SOVIETS HAVE REINFORCED
FOREGOING POSITION ON PREAMBLE IN SERIES OF PRIVATE LUNCHES WITH
HEADS OF MAJOR WESTERN DELEGATIONS. DURING DISCUSSIONS IN SUBCOM-
MITTEES SOVIETS STAKED OUT TOUGH NEGOTIATING POSITIONS ON SPECIFICS.
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IN INFORMATION SUBCOMMITTEE, AFTER AN INTERVAL OF SEVERAL WEEKS,
THEY AGAIN SAID THEY WOULD INSIST ON LANGUAGE BANNING RL/RFE.
SOVIETS CHARACTERIZED RADIOS AS ATTEMPTING TO OVERTHROW SOCIALIST
GOVERNMENTS AND OPPOSING DETENTE, ASSERTING THEY COULD PROVE SUB-
VERSIVE INTENTIONS TOWARD BLOC. AS IN PREVIOUS CASES, ATTACK WAS
OSTENSIBLY AIMED AT HOST COUNTRIES FOR RADIOS. POLES, CZECHS,
AND HUNGARIANS MADE Milder STATEMENTS AGAINST RFE. US REP NOTED
INCONSISTENCIES IN SOVIET POSITION, RESPONDING THAT RADIOS RE-
CEIVE USG SUPPORT AND THAT GENERAL US INTERESTS, INCLUDING DETENTE,
ARE SERVED BY RADIOS. UK GAVE STRONG SUPPORT. SOVIETS DID NOT
REPLY, BUT LATER RAISED TOPIC WITH US DELEGATION HEAD. INFORMAL
CONVERSATION INDICATES THIS SUBJECT WAS RAISED ON FIRM INSTRUCTION
FROM MOSCOW AND TIMING SUGGESTS RL DEFECTOR Y.M. MARIN INTENDED
AS SOURCE OF "PROOF." IN CULTURAL SUBCOMMITTEE SOVIETS ASSERTED
"COMPLETELY NEGATIVE" ATTITUDE TOWARD ESTABLISHMENT OF LIBRARIES
AND READING ROOMS, AND IGNORED DUTCH EFFORTS TO REACTIVATE
"SOLZHENITSYN" PROPOSAL. IN EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE, SOVIETS RE-
SURRECTED EARLIER SUGGESTION FOR GRADUAL INTRODUCTION OF FREE
EDUCATION THROUGH UNIVERSITY LEVEL.

7. COMMENT. DISCUSSION GENERALL BECAME MORE PHILOSOPHICAL THIS
WEEK AS WEARY DELEGATIONS BEGAN TO ANTICIPATE CHRISTMAS BREAK.

IN MANY SUBJECT AREAS REAL PROGRESS NOW AWAITS CONSULTATION,
NEW INSTRUCTIONS, AND DRAFTING. NEVERTHELESS, THE EXCHANGES OVER
RADIO LIBERTY/RADIO FREE EUROPE, CSCE-MBFR LINKAGE, AND THE
MEDITERRANEAN SHOWED AGAIN THAT THE FAMILIAR PROBLEMS ARE STILL
WITH US. WITH DISCUSSIONS NEXT WEEK OF WORKING METHODS DURING
DRAFTING, PROCEDURES SHOULD BE PINNED DOWN BEFORE RECESS. CON-
SULTATIONS NOW PLANNED FOR EARLY JANUARY AMONG EC-NINE AND NATO
FIFTEEN SHOULD HELP TO SHAPE SUBSTANTIVE WESTERN APPROACH. TAKEN
TOGETHER, THESE DISCUSSIONS GIVE REASONABLE ASSURANCE OF SUCCESS-
FUL TRANSITION TO THE COMPLEX DRAFTING PERIOD. END COMMENT.
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